SR 60

Meeting Notes

Date: September 13, 2016 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Location: FDOT CO-Burns, Executive Conference Room and Conference

Subject: Florida Department of Transportation, Systems Planning Office

SR 60 Corridor Study Technical Team Kick-off (District 7)

On September 13th, 2016, the Technical Team Kick-Off for District 7 was conducted.

Those in attendance were:

Jennifer King FDOT Systems Planning Office – Client Project Manager Chris Edmonston FDOT Systems Planning Office – SIS Planning Manager Nia Clark FDOT Systems Planning Office – Transportation Planner

Shereen Yee Fong FDOT Environmental Management Office – Project Delivery Coordinator Martha Hodgson FDOT Systems Planning Office – Project Development Engineering Specialist

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Peter Maass FDOT District 7 – SIS Coordinator Alternate Elaine Martino FDOT District 7 – Travel Demand Modeling

Angela Allen FDOT District 7 – Emergency Operations Coordinator Alex Henry FDOT District 7 – Bike/Ped Safety Traffic Specialist

Brian Hunter FDOT District 7 – Freight Coordinator

Brian Gentry FDOT District 7 – Transportation Systems Management & Operations

Steve Love FDOT District 7 – Rail Coordinator
Roseanna Correa Jacobs Engineering Group
Adam Ivory CDM Smith – Project Planner

- 1. **Introduction and Background**: Chris Edmonston provided a project background and identified the project objectives preemptively identify alternative options, identify operational quick fixes, and identify the needs along the study corridor. Mr. Edmonston pointed out that this study was initiated based on a white paper submitted by FDOT District 1 indicating the need for studying SR 60. Jennifer King started the meeting and gave all the attendees the opportunity to introduce themselves. Ms. King indicated that the white paper will be shared with the meeting participants.
- 2. **Presentation**: Ms. King and Mr. Plagens gave the presentation detailing study purpose, study limits, project activities, project goals, agency partners, coordination with other projects/plans, project schedule and project communication. A sample list of studies and plans collected by the project team was also presented. Contact information of the project team managers was provided.



- 3. **Site Visit**: Ms. King described the site visits conducted by the project team and the observations made. Some of the major observations were weigh station in District 7, transit services along SR 60, heavy traffic/development near interchange I-75. It was observed that the truck traffic along SR 60 trends not to be as heavy in District 7. It was noted that US 98 and County Line Road may be used by the trucks to avoid the congestion/signals along SR 60 in District 7. Within District 7, the majority of trucks along SR 60 are either local trucks or trucks delivering to the final destination.
- 4. **Discussion**: The following items/questions were discussed during/after the presentation:
 - a. Ms. King described in detail on the context zone analysis being conducted as a part of this study. Based on FDOT's draft guidance on the implementation of complete streets and the context land use zones, the project team classified the study corridor into the context land use zones using the observations from the site visits. This will provide a snapshot in time of the context for SR 60 study corridor. The context land use zone analysis is being conducted for the existing conditions only and not for the future years.
 - b. FDOT D7 indicated that a recent study indicated a need for 12 lanes through Brandon and that the local community will be involved to determine the best path forward.
 - c. The Economic Impact Study is being conducted by MPO to determine alternative areas to develop in the future and to identify parallel corridors to relieve congestion along SR 60.
 - d. FDOT D7 will provide the report on PD&E study (between Valrico and County Line Road) as well as a report on Brandon Boulevard Compatibility Study.
 - e. FDOT D7 indicated that the railroad crossing closer to District 1 is planned to be replaced in 2018.
 - f. The horizon year for the study is 2045, matching the Needs Plan.
 - g. Modeling methodology Details of travel demand modeling are being finalized. Statewide model will be used for this study effort, and sub-area validations and other input/calibration information will be provided by FDOT D7. Adjustments are being made to the D7 model.
 - h. FDOT D7 indicated that Bluetooth devices are located along SR 60 corridor at the intersections of I-75, Parsons Avenue and Mulrennan Road. Travel times and speeds are collected from these devices. Plans are underway to expand the Bluetooth coverage to the east along SR 60.
- 5. **Action Items:** The action items from the meeting are:
 - a. Project team will forward any data requests to FDOT D7.
 - Project team to forward a copy of the presentation and the white paper prepared by FDOT D1.
 - c. FDOT D7 to provide any projects or plans which may be relevant to SR 60 project.
 - d. FDOT D7 to respond to additional data requests from the project team.
- 6. **Wrap-up/Adjourn:** Ms. King and Mr. Plagens thanked everyone for their participation.

